

MINUTES OF MEETING BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOUNTAIN HILLS SANITARY DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Fountain Hills Sanitary District met in a **Regular Meeting** on **Wednesday, October 20, 2021** at **4:30 p.m.** in the District's Board Room located at 16941 E Pepperwood Circle, Fountain Hills, Arizona.

Agenda Item No. 1

Call to order and roll call

Upon roll call, the following Directors were present:

Chairperson Michael Maroon, Director Gregg Dudash, Director Tammy Bell, and Director Jerry Butler. Vice Chairperson Robert Thomson arrived at 4:34 p.m.
(Note: Unanimous votes refer to all Directors present.)

The following Executive Staff members were present:

Dana Trompke, District Manager, Daniel Jones, Legal Counsel, Tori Myers, District CPA, and Penny Cook, Assistant Secretary.

Agenda Item No. 2

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting: September 15, 2021, Special Meeting: October 8, 2021, and Joint Work/Study Session: October 12, 2021.

Director Dudash made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 15, 2021 and Director Bell moved to amend the motion to include the Special Meeting Minutes of October 8, 2021 and Joint Work/Study Session of October 12, 2021. Director Butler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3

Call to public.

There was no comment.

Agenda Item No. 4

District Manager's report; items to be discussed include plant, recycled water, and recharge statistics for September, permit compliance, new sewer services, active project updates, public communication efforts, and Town communication and/or coordination efforts.

The District Manager reported for the month of September: The average daily influent flow was 1.877 MGD.

Total WW treated for September was 56,297,000 gallons.

The District was in compliance with all permit requirements for the month.

September Reclaimed Water delivered to reusers was 60,370,500 gallons.

The District Manager reported the District's total recharge credit available as of September 30, 2021 was 513,699,834 gallons.

The District issued ten sewer service agreements for the month of September – seven single-family, two multi-family units, and one non-residential.

The EV Chargers and Parking Addition project is complete. Three charging ports are active and available for use.

The Aeration Basin Improvement Project is 99% complete. There is only one small item to resolve. The contractor has cleaned up and demobilized from the plant and the engineer is working on the final "Record Drawings".

There is no new progress to report on the ASR Well 1 Vault Replacement.

There is no progress to report on the AWTF Strainer and Tote Replacement Project. The Contractor is waiting on delivery of ordered equipment, estimated to take 12-16 weeks.

The Outfall Feasibility Study is an agenda item for further discussion.

There are currently five employee vacancies: 1 Maintenance Manager, 2 CSO Operators, 1 CSO Manager, 1 Maintenance Mechanic.

A Joint session between Town Council and District Board was held Tuesday October 12th at 5:30 pm.

Vice Chairman Thompson indicated the former manager of the SunRidge Golf Club, Jeff Lessig, is very interested in being part of the Sodium Committee.

Agenda Item No. 5

District CPA's report; items to be discussed include status of income and expenditures, billing, report on collection efforts to date, and general direction from Board.

District CPA reported the General Fund Income Statement for September was favorable to budget.

Agenda Item No. 6

Legal Counsel updates.

Legal Counsel gave an update on the Colorado River Basin Tier I water shortage.

Agenda Item No. 7

Discussion and direction to staff regarding possible reclaimed water outfall to City of Scottsdale.

District Manager provided a summary of the Outfall Feasibility Study. Earlier this year a consultant was engaged to do a preliminary feasibility study on whether or not the District could construct an outfall with the City of Scottsdale.

The District does not have any legal means to discharge reclaimed water as they do not have a permit to discharge to the Native American Tribal Communities.

The consultant did find an appropriate alignment and it would take approximately 3,900 lineal feet of 8" pipe from the District's RW main at the intersection of Eagle Mountain Pkwy and Shea Blvd. to the west and outfall to a manhole at the intersection of Shea Blvd. and 142nd Street. It would require some valves and metering to measure discharge flow, manholes for access, roadway repairs, traffic control measures, permitting, and agency approvals.

District Manager had a couple of meetings with the Executive Director of the City of Scottsdale and he is very favorable and agreeable to the outfall. They did have requirements and had done some modeling of their collection system.

Director Dudash indicated he had asked the District Manager to look into the issue of the District not being able to have a discharge outlet and thanked the District Manager for her quick response and thinks this is absolutely needed.

After discussions, direction was given to staff and legal counsel to continue to progress with answering some of the questions that were brought up with regard to a discharge permit, gathering information, and to continue to pursue the discharge options.

Agenda Item No. 8

Discussion and consideration to authorize District Manager to purchase a replacement maintenance truck with utility service body for \$62,110.23.

District Manager is requesting authorization to purchase a replacement maintenance truck with utility service body for \$62,110.23. This item is identified in the 2021/2022 budget.

Vice Chairperson Thomson made a motion to authorize District Manager to purchase a replacement maintenance truck with utility service body for \$62,110.23. Director Bell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 9

Discussion and consideration to authorize District Manager to purchase 54 membrane modules for \$156,854.88.

District Manager is requesting authorization to purchase 54 membrane modules for \$156,854.88. This item is identified in the 2021/2022 budget.

Vice Chairperson Thomson made a motion to authorize District Manager to purchase 54 membrane modules for \$156,854.88. Director Butler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 10

Discussion and consideration to authorize the District Manager to purchase a replacement pump for Pump Station No. 18 for \$33,199.02.

District Manager is requesting authorization to purchase a replacement pump for Pump Station No. 18 for \$33,199.02. This item is identified in the 2021/2022 budget.

Vice Chairperson Thomson made a motion to authorize District Manager to purchase a replacement pump for Pump Station No. 18 for \$33,199.02. Director Dudash seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 11

Discussion and consideration of timeline to discuss reclaimed water supply, demand challenges, and conceptual rate structure.

District Manager presented the Board with a recommended timeline if a tiered RW rate structure will be adopted.

After discussions, it was decided the District would determine at what trigger level the reclaimed water storage balance would need to be before implementing the tiered rate structure.

This will be a continuing discussion item leading up to the development of next FY budget.

Agenda Item No. 11

The Chairman, the individual members of the Board and the District Manager will each be permitted to provide a brief summary of current events. The Board will not propose, discuss, deliberate or take legal action at the meeting on any matter addressed in the summaries, unless the specific item is otherwise properly noticed.

There were no comments

Agenda Item No. 12

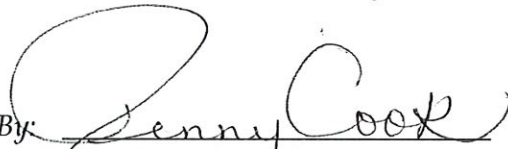
Adjournment.

Director Dudash made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. Director Bell seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Dated this 21st day of October, 2021.

Fountain Hills Sanitary District

Minutes Prepared By


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